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He has left behind him not one unhappy memory. All these many years this self-getting man has gone his quiet way among us, doing justice, loving mercy, walking humbly. And has received his reward of affection and respect. But in the enveloping sense of sorrow which rests now upon the community there comes a yet fuller appreciation of the value of this life of simple faith and service.

Never voluble faith, nor vaunted, ostentatious service. They were to him simply a part of his day's work. He would wonder now at all this outpouring of recognition. We can see him turning it aside with pleased jesting disclaimer. For he was always quick with a playful jest and a delightful saving sense of humor has smoothed his steps and the paths of those whose way ran along with him.

But one must be dull and blind indeed to whom the experience of the past week has not brought a deepened conviction of the supreme and only abiding worth of what Saint Paul, the grand old Mystic, called the fruits of the spirit, "Love, joy, peace, gentleness, goodness, faith."

To him they were undoubtedly of easy growth. Because his way was by birthright a temperament singularly free from all taint of envy, malice and self-seeking. He was good, generously, lovingly good. Men and women trusted his goodness, depended upon it, turned to it. And in all his long unselfish life no one ever asked of him bread to receive a stone.

All this rightness of his own never made him in the smallest degree intolerant or censorious of the frailties of others. He never could be brought to sit in judgment upon the sinner. His business rather was to lend a helping hand.

To the various positions of trust which he held, to the affairs of the town, the bank, the Academy, the church, he brought a spirit of absolute fidelity. He never shirked a duty. Always in his place at directors' meetings, trustees' meetings, committee meetings, he was unflinchingly relied upon for courtesy, consideration, loyal co-operation, and willingness for unstinted efficient service. In all these capacities he will be deeply missed. To the church which he loved, and whose interests have always been his first concern, his loss seems irreparable.

Touching indeed the simple tribute in the words heard again and again, from all sides during these last few days, "He was one of the best men who ever lived."

The peace and serenity by which he had always been attended, waited upon him to the end. A sharp, but mercifully short, period of pain. Then quiet. In his own home, the beloved center of his happiness, about him all whom he held most dear, the wife to whom he had given a whole life of devotion, the children in whom his joy and pride dwelt. By their happy, bright, uplifted courage and loving ministries even the Valley of the Shadow of Death was made light about him. So that for him there was never any darkness at all.

"And so he passed over on the other side, And all the trumpets sounded for him."

And all the trumpets sounded for him.

CHURCH ACTIVITIES

METHODIST CHURCH
Rev. C. L. Wheaton, Pastor
Morning service at 10:45. Sunday School at 12. Evening meeting at 7. As a part of the information program there will be a stereopticon lecture on the "Centenary Under Way in Europe."

The Ladies' Aid will meet with Miss Alice Capen, Thursday afternoon.

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH
Rev. S. T. Achenbach, Pastor
10:45. Worship. Sermon theme: "The Church and Church Membership."
12. Sunday School.
7:00. Meeting under direction of the young people. The pastor will give the first of a series of talks entitled "A Trail to Bible Knowledge."

The Ladies' Club will meet with Mrs. E. E. Valentine, Thursday afternoon.

BANQUET AT BETHEL INN
A banquet was served to the employees of Merrill, Springer Co., with their wives at Bethel Inn on Jan. 5. Forty-six plates were laid, and in spite of the inclement weather the tables were full and all seemed to enjoy the occasion to the utmost. The menu was as follows: Soup, Oyster Stew, Roast Beef, Potatoes, Gravy, Applesauce, Raisin Pie, Ice Cream, Coffee. After coffee was served short talks were given by Mr. N. B. Stewart of Dixfield, Mr. Clark of the J. & P. Coates Co., and Mr. N. B. Springer.

GRANGE NEWS

MOUNTAIN VIEW GRANGE

Mountain View Grange held its regular meeting last Tuesday evening with Worthy Master Angus Fraser in the chair. All the officers-elect were present except Chaplain, and they installed in a very pleasing manner by Bro. Herman Mason of Bethel, assisted by Daisy Philbrook and Florence Bryant. The Lecturer gave the following program:

Song, Vera Fraser
Reading, Clifford Cole
Piano Solo, Vera Fraser
Reading, Fred Goodnow
Song, "America," Grange
Refreshments of sandwiches, cake, cookies, doughnuts and coffee were served. There was twenty-two members present and three visitors from Bethel Grange.

UNION GRANGE

Union Grange held a very interesting meeting Jan. 8 with a good attendance. The third and fourth degrees were conferred in the forenoon and the first and second in the afternoon. The program in the afternoon was by the members who had joined last year.

Music, My State of Maine
Recitation, Minnie Ford
Reading, Eva Newell
Song, Lila Proctor
Reading, Helen Reed
Reading, Lila Proctor
Song, Winnie Robinson
Remarks, Mrs. Chesley
Reading, Ruth Chesley
Grange
New Century Pomona met with this grange Jan. 12.

CANTON GRANGE

A fine meeting of Canton Grange was held Saturday, 37 members being present and ten visitors. In the forenoon the third and fourth degrees were conferred on 21 candidates. An appetizing dinner was served by the defeated side in the late conquest, which was one of the best ever served at the hall. Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Stevens and Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Worden were in charge. In the afternoon the installation of officers took place. This was ably performed by Past Master O. M. Richardson, assisted by Mrs. Richardson as Marshal. Mr. Richardson also gave an excellent talk which was much enjoyed. Music was furnished by the choir.

PLEASANT VALLEY GRANGE
Pleasant Valley Grange met on Tuesday evening for the installation of the newly elected officers. Brother Richard Gates of South Paris acted as installing officer and performed the work in a serious and inspiring manner. His remarks about the Grange organization were very much to the point and showed his deep interest in all connected with the order. The installation was public and a goodly number availed themselves of the opportunity of being present. The supper was a real to all and a short program was given as follows:

Song, one or two
Katherine Brown, Clara Mason
Remarks, Brother Henry
Reading, one or two
Bertha Mundt
Reading, one or two
Ira Hickford

BETHEL GRANGE

The officers of Bethel Grange were installed at a meeting held Thursday evening, Jan. 6. The ladies served supper as usual, consisting of baked peas, white bread and butter, hot rolls, pineapple pudding, doughnuts, apple and mince pie, cookies, frosted cake and hot coffee. Herman Mason, assisted by Daisy Philbrook, installed the officers for 1921 in a very able manner. Those unable to be present were Treasurer, Gate Keeper, L. A. Steward, Ceres and Pomona. The Lecturer presented the following program:

Violin Solo, Dora Goodnow
Remarks, Supt. Russell
Remarks, F. L. Bean
Closed in form. Next meeting will be held Jan. 23.

POMONA GRANGE

Oxford Pomona met with Norway Grange, Tuesday, Jan. 4th, with 325 present. The meeting was called to order at 11 a. m. by Worthy Master Harold Pike with officers all present. The 5th degree was conferred on twenty candidates.

A fine dinner was prepared by the ladies from "M" to end of alphabet with Elvira Parkard, chairman. The meeting was called to order at 1 p. m. A fitting memorial service was held with Sister Annie Dudley speaking in memory of Henry Hammond of So. Paris Grange. Sister Elizabeth Scribner in memory of Henry Jilson, Crooked River Grange. Sister Jessie Cox for J. A. Roberts of Norway Grange.

A beautiful bouquet of piaka was placed on the altar by Sister Jessie Cox in memory of these departed brothers.

THE NATIONAL CAPITAL

Events of Interest From Washington

By J. E. Jones

DID ROOSEVELT STEAL PANAMA?

The Republic of Colombia has been very zealous during the early days of President Wilson's regime on the subject of the Panama Canal. It has been reimbursed to the extent of about \$2,000,000, because "Roosevelt stole Panama" from them. Henry M. Hill, a brilliant young man who was born and raised at Panama, recently came to Washington, and when he found that this issue was still alive, he proceeded to attack it vigorously. His argument leaves no doubt about his knowledge of the details of the history of his country. Mr. Hill in a statement entitled "The Independence of Panama," reviews the aversion of Spain in attempting to hold control over Central and South American peoples. "Two great principles of the evolution of the South American republics must be borne in mind," he says. First of these is, "that, in spite of some attempts to keep certain territory within the limits of some Republic by force, in general each territorial region has been permitted, in the end, to determine for itself the question of its union, with, or separation from, other territories, and (2) the general tendency has always been away from large republics and toward the development of local independence." Mr. Hill shows that the history of the United States of Colombia has been a striking illustration of this second principle, and taking up his own Panama as an illustration, he shows that it became independent of Spain as early as 1821 without the aid of Colombia, and that it afterwards joined with Colombia "purely as an act of her own volition," and rendered material assistance to Colombia in establishing her independence. In 1850 Panama separated herself from Colombia, but returned to the union, but on a second occasion Panama remained separate from Colombia, for nearly a year, when it returned to its place in the Colombia government following peaceful overtures that contained many promises which proved, according to Mr. Hill, to be "specious." In 1840 Panama again maintained her independence for two years, when she was again "cajoled into reunion with Colombia."

There is a good old Yankee saying of "three times and out." Panama however, separated again from Colombia in 1860 but was compelled to return to Colombia control by force of arms. The people of Panama determined that when the time came they would strike for a permanent independence, and with an undaunted spirit they waited.

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A vote of the Pomona gave these to Walter K. Hammond, who is recovering from a severe illness.

The following program was given by the Lecturer:

Song, Farmer Melroe, encore.
G. W. Q. Perkins
Paper on State Chamber of Commerce and Agricultural League.
Mrs. Lora M. Mann
The next Pomona meets with Frank La Grange, at Bryant's Park, at 7 o'clock on February.

ROUND MOUNTAIN GRANGE
Round Mountain Grange met at their hall, Jan. 1, for the installation of officers. Waterford and Bethel Granges were invited. An hour or so was spent socially while a beautiful dinner was served. The meeting was called to order after dinner by Worthy Master Wardwell. After the usual routine, James Kimball assisted by Bro. Linwood Flint and Mrs. Hazel Wardwell proceeded to install the officers who are as follows:

Master—W. I. Heckler
Overseer—A. A. Bruce
Lecturer—Mrs. Dora Beckler
Steward—M. C. Bird
Asst. Steward—Elmer Ronnison
Chaplain—Mrs. A. A. Bruce
Treasurer—George Cummings
G. K.—C. R. Morey
Ceres—Mabel Beckler
Pomona—Ella Cummings
Flora—Nancy Andrews
L. A. Steward—Edith Cummings
Our guests from Waterford kindly helped on the entertainment.

Song, Grange
Reading, Mrs. A. A. Bruce
Question: If a Grange becomes dormant, what can be done to start an interest to get the members to attend? Discussed by J. A. Kimball, Rev. Eliphaas, Bert Flint and others.

Music, Helen Beckler
Reading, Mrs. Hazel Wardwell
Song, Hazel Wardwell, Linwood Flint, Remarks by Messrs. Lebrooke, Flint, Kimball and Beckler.
Closed in due form.

BETHEL BUSINESS MAN PASSES AWAY

J. U. Purington, one of Bethel's business men died Friday morning after a week's illness of pneumonia. From the first there seemed little chance of recovery. Saturday the three children were summoned home from Massachusetts.

Mr. Purington was born in Brunswick, April 30, 1846, the son of the late Daniel and Pauline Purington. He came to Bethel in 1869 and entered the employ as clerk with the late Robert A. Chapman. In course of time the firm became Woodbury & Purington and the sign still remains on the store near the railroad station.

On Dec. 27, 1873, he married Francis Woodbury, daughter of the late Judge and Mrs. E. W. Woodbury of Bethel.

Mr. Purington has filled many places of trust. From 1891 to 1898 he was town treasurer and has been for many years on the cemetery board, a director of Bethel Savings Bank and one of the trustees of Gould's Academy. He was a deacon of the Congregational church for about 40 years.

He is survived by his wife and three children, Mrs. John V. Holt of Andover, Mass.; Belle, who has always lived at home, and Harry, who is married and resides in Manchester-by-the-Sea, Mass.; two sisters, Mrs. Ada Holbrook and Miss Flora Purington of Brunswick.

The funeral was held from his late home Monday afternoon at two o'clock, attended by Rev. W. C. Curtis assisted by Rev. S. T. Achenbach.

Those from out of town who came to attend the funeral were: Wesley K. Woodbury, Esq., of Pottsville, Pa.; Mrs. Ada Holbrook of Brunswick; Mr. W. H. Eastman of East Sumner; Mrs. Clara Howard and Mrs. Fred Wright of South Paris; Mr. and Mrs. Fred Chandler of Auburn.

BETHEL INN
Dr. Charles O. Osawell of Portland had dinner at the Inn on Saturday.

Mr. H. McFarland of Morrissett, N. J., is at the Inn for an extended visit.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Upson left for Portland, Monday afternoon for a few days' stay.

Mr. Henry P. Rines and wife of Portland are at the Inn for a few days to enjoy the sports.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Cobb of Brooklyn, N. Y., are having a week's outing at Bethel Inn.

Mrs. H. E. Young of Belmont and Miss Deborah Williams of Boston are having a few days' outing at Bethel Inn.

We are expecting a party of eighteen from Berlin over the week end to enjoy the winter sports. The party is headed by Mr. W. F. Swan, Jr., and will consist of a few couples who were here last January and enjoyed the occasion so much they wish to repeat it this year.

ALBANY
Miss Mildred Merrill and Miss Rines were week end guests of Mrs. Herbert Bean.

Herbert I. Bean purchased a nice horse when he was in Lewiston. The Missionary meeting was held with Mrs. Herbert Bean, Wednesday evening.

Mrs. J. W. Cummings, who has been very ill for some time, remains about the same.

If the good weather and travelling continue people will get their wood and pulp to its destination early in the season.

Mrs. Isaac Wardwell recently visited her sister, Mrs. Nellie Green, of Waterford.

HON. GEO. A. YEATON RESIGNS POSITION

Was Farm Demonstrator For Oxford County

Hon. George A. Yeaton, former State horticulturist and for the past six or seven years farm demonstrator for Oxford County, has resigned on account of ill health, the resignation to take effect Jan. 15. His successor will be appointed at an early date.

Mr. Yeaton's departure will be a distinct loss to the agricultural interests of this section, as he brought to his work extensive personal experience and keen observation and study along modern scientific lines.

SARAH ELLA KILGORE
"To reach the realm on the other shore
We must pass through a transient gloom,
And must walk unseen, unhelped, and alone
Through the covered bridge, the tomb."

"Though the eye is dim and the bridge is dark,
And the river it spans is wide,
Yet Faith points through to a shining shore
That looms on the other side."

"To enable our feet in the next day's march
To climb up the golden ridge,
We must all lie down for one night's rest
Inside the Covered Bridge."

Sarah Ella, daughter of Eliphaz O. and Sarah Frost Kilgore, was born in Newry, Aug. 22, 1828 and passed away Dec. 26, 1920, having reached the age of 92 years, 4 months and 4 days.

She spent her girlhood in Newry and Riddelford, Me. In the winter of 1851 she was married to Isaac Powers Kilgore who died in 1906. To this union were born three sons, Walter D. of Newry, Wallace W. of Bethel, and Harry F. who died in the spring of 1880. Besides, she reared and cared for, as only a mother could care, Jane Hardy who married Chas. Davenport and is now living in California, and Myra Libby, who lived and died at the old home.

Her childhood, her womanhood, her life, were all of home.

An unselfish, generous nature devoted to the service of others, her beautiful character, unflinching kindness and generosity making her beloved by all.

The world has been a kinder and better place for many because she lived and walked among them.

Known as "Aunt Betty" she was a friend to all and loved by all. A woman, a firm believer in her God and Saviour.

"And her children shall rise up and call her blessed."

The funeral service was conducted by the Rev. J. H. Little at the home she lived in, and the interment was in the Hills Cemetery by the side of loved ones who had preceded her.

"Rock of ages cleft for me"
Lips grown old, I sang the hymn
Tremblingly and tenderly,
Vices grown weak and eyes grown dim,
Telling that the voice and low,
Hear the sweet strain peacefully,
Like a river in its flow,
Sing as only they can sing
Who behold the promised rest!

"Rock of ages cleft for me"
Sang above the coffin lid,
Underneath all restfully,
All life's joys and sorrows hid.
Nevermore, Oh, storm tossed soul,
Nevermore from wind and tide
Nevermore from billows roll
Will thou need thyself to hide.
Could the slightest sunken eyes
Gaze beneath the soft gray hair,
Could the mute and stiffened lips
Move again in pleading prayer.
Still ago, still the words would be
Let me hide myself in Thee,
Not my will, but Thine, oh Lord, be done.

THE HICKS WEATHER BOOK FOR 1921
This famous and unique book is now ready. The 1921 edition is the best yet, contains all the old popular and many new features. It is worth its weight in gold to those whose occupations, or pleasure trips, are affected by the weather. The predictions of storms, tornadoes, blizzards, floods and earthquakes are a marvel of accuracy.

Price by mail, 50 cents. The same publishers also issue the monthly magazine, Word and Works, a family magazine with the weather forecast as a leading feature. Subscription price of Word and Works is \$1.50 a year with The Hicks Almanac to each subscriber. Send orders to The Hicks Almanac and Publishing Co., 3401 Franklin Ave., St. Louis, Mo.

FINANCIAL STANDING OF OXFORD COUNTY

At their regular meeting at the close of the year, the County Commissioners audited the accounts of County Treasurer George M. Atwood and made up the estimate for the country tax for the coming two years. The finances of the county were found to be in excellent condition. The county tax will be reduced about twenty per cent for the coming year and ten thousand dollars of the bonded indebtedness will be retired. The bonds issued to pay for the new Western District Registry building at Fryeburg will be paid and retired when they become due on February first.

The receipts and expenditures of the County Treasurer for the past year are as follows:

Receipts	
Cash on hand Jan. 1, 1920,	\$14,398.49
County Taxes,	47,076.16
Temporary Loans,	10,000.00
Wild Land Taxes,	7,547.54
Fines and Costs,	4,501.55
Road Repair Taxes,	4,053.23
Fees of County Officers,	2,938.48
State Aid Road Work,	1,471.08
Interest on Deposits,	198.36
Sale of Confiscated Liquors,	100.00
Sale of Wood,	72.00
Unclaimed Checks,	60.33
Telephone Tolls,	1.44
\$92,416.65	

Expenditures	
Costs S. J. Court,	\$6,817.19
County Commissioners' orders,	\$6,758.77
Salaries,	13,098.00
Temporary Loans,	10,000.00
Bridge Construction aid,	1,950.00
Interest on Bonds,	1,450.00
County Law Libraries,	984.08
Fines Forfeited to State,	250.56
Interest on Loans,	189.17
\$61,428.61	

Cash on hand Dec. 31, 1920,	\$30,988.64
\$92,416.65	
The standing of the County on Dec. 31, 1920, was as follows:	
Resources	
Cash on hand,	\$30,988.64
Due on Road Taxes,	\$2,018.82
Due on Wild Land Taxes,	1,337.93
\$44,345.39	

Liabilities	
Bumford Building Bond,	\$25,000.00
Fryeburg Registry Bonds,	10,000.00
Bills allowed and unpaid,	74.19
\$35,074.19	

Excess of Resources Dec. 31, 1920,	\$9,271.20
Excess of Liabilities Dec. 31, 1919,	12,022.84
Net gain for year 1920, Norway Advertiser,	\$21,294.04

GOULD'S ACADEMY

The Y. M. C. A. meeting of last week was led by Olin Rootman. His subject was "Good Purpose." The next week's meeting will be led by Olin Rootman with "Generosity" for his subject.

The Academy boys basketball team went to West Paris, Friday evening and were defeated by W. P. H. S. by a score of 34 to 13. The girls team of the Academy defeated the W. P. H. S. girls the same evening.

ENTERTAINMENT AT GRANGE HALL, BETHEL

On Thursday evening of this week the Royal Comedy Co. will make their appearance at Bethel Grange Hall, and will give an evening of entertainment. Florette, the impersonator, who is well known in Bethel, will appear with the company in songs and dances.

A good chance to spend an evening and enjoy yourself for the small sum of 15 and 25 cents, with the war tax paid—ad.

MAINE FRUIT GROWERS' CONVENTION

The annual convention of the Fruit Growers of Maine will be held February 14-16, 1921.

At this time there will be speakers on various subjects of orchard work, from the planting of the trees to marketing of the fruit.

The beekeepers are cordially invited to attend. There will be a special meeting of the beekeepers Tuesday, the 15th, at 10 A. M., to organize a state association.

A full program is being prepared by State Horticulturist Frank H. Dudley, who has charge of the convention.

If you have a relative or friend who has moved away, there is no better gift than a year's subscription to The Oxford County Citizen. It will keep him informed as to what is going on in his home town. Only \$1.50 a year.

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NORWAY

The annual supper and parish meeting was held at the Universalist church, Thursday evening with the largest attendance in years. A fine supper was served. The following officers were elected: Parish clerk, Frank E. DeCoster; treasurer, James N. Favors; collector, Glenn R. McIntire; parish committee to serve three years, Maford Mann. The reports of the several officers showed that the parish was in good condition.

Harry Root W. B. C. held a regular meeting at Legion Hall on Thursday evening with a large attendance. A fine time was enjoyed by all those present.

A. J. Hadley has returned from the G. M. G. Hospital, Lewiston, where he has been receiving treatment for blood poisoning. A finger on one hand was amputated and at last reports was gaining rapidly.

Harry O. Blimson has been reappointed Deputy Sheriff for Oxford County under Sheriff Harry S. Cole of So. Paris. Arthur B. Whitman and Mrs. George Whitman have bought the W. O. Richardson farm in Woodstock, and will take possession at once.

Leon Kilgore, son of Mr. and Mrs. Mason Kilgore, cut his foot while chopping wood at the Kilgore lot in Greenwood, recently. The wound is healing rapidly.

Wilfred G. Conary, who has charge of the recruiting for the National Guard, has received 56 applications for a company in the Third Regiment.

Thomas Thibodeau has returned from Massachusetts where he has been the guest of his son, Irving Thibodeau.

Mrs. Mabel Kneeland is at the Central Maine General Hospital for treatment.

Walter G. Whitman, son of Mrs. Geo. Whitman, who is at the head of the act, recently underwent an operation at the Bethel hospital in gaining rapidly.

Mr. P. H. and wife have gone to Bethel to spend the winter with their son, Fred, and family.

Thomas H. Marchant and wife from Camp Deane on a short furlough the past week.

Mrs. Mabel A. Kim is the guest of Mrs. John A. Roberts in August.

Mrs. Madeline Wyman has returned to Oxford where she is teaching in the Bethel Hall school.

Stanley Roy of So. Waterford is staying with his grandparents, Mr. and

How's This?

We offer One Hundred Dollars Reward for any case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure.

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Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. Testimonials sent free. Price 75 cents per bottle. Sold by all druggists.
Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

Mrs. W. E. Rice, and receiving treatment for blood poisoning in his hand.

Mr. and Mrs. William Shenck of New Jersey have been recent guests of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Schenk. Clyde Lapham has gone to Pittsburgh, N. H., where he has employment with the C. V. L. Co.

Ice fishing has been more popular this season than usual, and good catches are being made.

The American Legion are to stage a minstrel show in the near future.

Miss Mary Dresser of North Waterford has been a recent guest of Mrs. Pontil Brown.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Buswell of Rumford were recent guests of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Buswell.

James Brackett of Lovell was in town one day last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Philip J. Smith have gone to Pomona, Calif., where they intend to make their future home.

Homer D. Tubbs of Phillips was in town a few days last week.

A. L. Buck was in Boston several days last week.

Alton Bacon of Bryant's Pond was in town one day last week.

Mr. Fletcher Bean of Bethel was in town one day last week.

Miss Dora McLucas and brother, M. W. McLucas, both of Boston, have been recent guests of their mother, Mrs. Elizabeth McLucas.

Harold Johnson of Lewiston was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Hiram Johnson last week.

Miss Mildred Holman has entered the Eve and Ear Infirmary at Portland to take up a course in nursing.

Lewis H. Buswell spent several days last week in Portland.

Mrs. W. T. Smith was a recent guest of her sister, Mrs. Maurice S. Miller, in Cambridge, Mass.

Irving Symonds is in New Hampshire for a few weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Noyes of Portland, who have been visiting in town, have returned to their home.

Arthur Welch has gone to St. Petersburg, Florida, for the winter.

The officers of Mount Hope Rebekah Lodge were installed last Friday evening by Dr. H. P. Adie, Ransom, assisted by James Edward, D. D. G. M., both of Bethel. Refreshments were served.

P. H. Holden was called to Monmouth last week by the sudden death of his brother, J. P. Holden.

Mr. and Mrs. V. W. Hills have gone to Southern Pines, N. C., for the winter.

The Yarns Club will meet Thursday with Mrs. Adelle Buswell.



Reported Wounded in Battle for Fiume

Gabriele D'Annunzio, famous Italian poet-warrior and self appointed dictator of Fiume, who has been wounded in the fighting between D'Annunzio forces and the Italian army regulars now fighting for possession of the Jugo-Slav city. This is the most recent photo of D'Annunzio to reach this country and shows him in front of his headquarters in Fiume.

WORLD WAR PROVED NEED FOR NATIONAL INDEPENDENCE IN FERTILIZER PRODUCTION

The European war emphasized the fact that no effort should be spared to establish national independence in the production of fertilizer materials, the Secretary of Agriculture points out in his annual report to the President. "This is especially true," he says, "in the case of nitrogen which is not only a valuable fertilizer ingredient, but also an essential element in the manufacture of munitions. Of all the nations involved in the war, Germany alone had a sufficient nitrate supply within her borders, but England, France, and Italy are now rapidly perfecting plans to make themselves equally secure in this respect. Increased interest has been manifested in this country, also, in the study of methods for fixing atmospheric nitrogen, and the Department of Agriculture, through the Bureau of Soils, has actively cooperated with the War Department in this important field. The production of ammonium sulphate from by-product coke ovens and gas plants has greatly increased, but not sufficiently to meet the demand for fixed nitrogen.

Offered a Possibility

"The completion, shortly before the armistice, of the nitrogen fixation plant at Muscle Shoals, Ala., offered a hope for an independent source of nitrogen for fertilizer use in times of peace. This

plant is prepared to make calcium cyanamid or, by some additions, to manufacture ammonium sulphate. With modifications, also, it may be equipped for the preparation of highly concentrated fertilizer materials which will be free from filler, and therefore result in a considerable saving in freight charges.

The plant is still idle, awaiting the necessary authority from Congress for its operation. It is hoped that the matter will receive consideration at the next session of Congress, and that the requisite authorization will be granted without further delay, in order that the Nation may escape once for all from its dependence upon foreign nitrate fields, and that an adequate supply of nitrogen may be developed, both as a protection in times of national stress and to meet the growing demand for this valuable product for fertilizer purposes.

"The experimental pilot plant at Sumnerland, Calif., the purpose of which

is to demonstrate the practicability of extracting potash and useful by-products from the giant kelp, is in active operation and valuable results are being secured.

"Unquestionably it will be possible when the best methods have been worked out to develop a potash industry on the Pacific coast capable of supplying a considerable part of the nation's need.

Two Processes Developed

"Two processes for the recovery of potash from blast furnaces. The department developed by the Bureau of Soils, and both are being utilized in commercial practice. The 87,000 tons of potash annually lost from fines and stacks of the cement plants are still, in the main, going to waste. Only about 1 per cent was recovered in 1919. A similar situation exists with reference to the collection of potash from blast furnaces. The department is now making a survey of this situation and preliminary results show that the dust from blast furnaces is higher in potash content than the cement dust and that it can probably be recovered more economically. The potash that escapes from these two sources would, if collected in marketable form, go a long way toward meeting the normal potash requirements of the country. There is ample justification, therefore, for the appropriation of sufficient funds adequately to study those phases of the problem which properly come within the scope of this department's activities."

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12-30-31

NOTICE

The subscriber hereby gives notice that he has been duly appointed administrator of the estate of Isaac Flint late of Bethel in the County of Oxford, deceased, without bond. All persons having demands against the estate of said deceased are desired to present the same for settlement, and all indebted thereto are requested to make payment immediately.

PRESTON D. FLINT,
Bethel, Maine, R. F. D.
December 21, 1920 12-30-31

NOTICE

The subscriber hereby gives notice that he has been duly appointed executor of the last will and testament of Fidelius F. Stearns late of Bethel in the County of Oxford, deceased, and given bonds as the law directs. All persons having demands against the estate of said deceased are desired to present the same for settlement, and all indebted thereto are requested to make payment immediately.

EDWARD A. BILLINGS,
Locke's Mills, Maine
December 21, 1920 12-30-31

NOTICE

The subscriber hereby gives notice that he has been duly appointed executor of the last will and testament of Lewis A. Shaw late of Bethel in the County of Oxford, deceased, without bond. All persons having demands against the estate of said deceased are desired to present the same for settlement, and all indebted thereto are requested to make payment immediately.

CHARLES F. SHAW,
Bethel, Maine
December 21, 1920 12-30-31

NOTICE

The subscriber hereby gives notice that she has been duly appointed executrix of the last will and testament of Sarah A. Stowell late of Bethel in the County of Oxford, deceased, without bond. All persons having demands against the estate of said deceased are desired to present the same for settlement, and all indebted thereto are requested to make payment immediately.

DAISY M. RAY,
Bethel, Maine
December 21, 1920 12-30-31

THE HOME COLUMN

COMMON-SENSE CURES

Headaches May Have One of Many Causes. Do Not Trust to Drugs

W. Peabody Bartlett, M. D.

The common-sense headache cure is anything that will relieve you of the pain provided the remedy does not injure you.

The first thing to go when you have a headache and are tempted to take some tablets or powder or other form of so-called headache cure, is to look out for two words—words that should be a red danger signal to every one. These are acetanilid and phenacetin.

If they are used on the bottle, box or wrapper, do not use the cure. It may be that the so-called cures will state that they are in accordance with the pure-food-and-drug act. Do not believe that this means the medicine is safe. It simply means that the ingredients are named on the label. That is all the law demands.

Acetanilid and phenacetin are derived from coal tar. These coal-tar derivatives will relieve pain. Although they temporarily relieve pain, they have a very dangerous effect on the heart. These drugs depress the heart action and also affect the blood in such a manner as to interfere with its principal function, that of carrying oxygen to the tissues. When this happens the skin assumes a bluish hue, the flesh has a sallow look, the pulse becomes slow and weak and there is a sluggishness of the mental faculties; sometimes the patient passes into a comatose condition. These bad effects are especially apt to occur, of course, when the action of the heart is already feeble, in which case they develop rapidly, death sometimes taking place within half an hour after the coal tar has been taken.

Even when no such weakness exists, prolonged or continuous use of the coal tars may induce it, the condition coming on so insidiously that the patient has no suspicion anything is wrong though the bluish hue of the complexion and the unhealthy look of the flesh may suggest it to others; moreover, the influence of the coal tars upon the blood may do harm even when the heart is unaffected.

Often your headache is the result of a disordered stomach. Nothing will make the head ache more quickly than a bad stomach. Some headaches are caused by nervousness brought on by overwork and worry.

If you can spend the day at home when your headache develops, the best remedy, though it is not exactly pleasant, is to drink great quantities of warm water. Drink glass after glass until it acts as an emetic. Then go to bed for a few hours. Your headache will not be relieved but cured because the disordered stomach which caused it will have been cured. No dangerous drugs will have harmed your heart action or your blood.

Absolute quiet is essential for the treatment of sick and nervous headaches. The patient should undress and go to bed in a quiet room which should be partly darkened and well ventilated. Many find a hot mustard foot bath taken just before going to bed a great relief.

This foot bath should be one hundred and five degrees Fahrenheit. A heaping tablespoonful of mustard to each gallon of water is the right proportion. The mustard first should be mixed into a smooth paste with a little cold water; then stirred into the hot water; otherwise it will lump and not mix well with the water. The foot bath should be continued until the feet and toes are very red; they should then be dried and wrapped in flannel or warm wool and put on and a hot water bag placed over the feet in the bed. The purpose of this treatment is to draw the blood away from the throbbing head thus relieving the pain and congestion.

The sooner the intestinal tract is cleared out the better will it be for the sufferer; therefore, it is a good plan to take as a laxative, ordinary salts which can be purchased at the drug store.

For local use, cold compresses may be tried but to be of any real benefit these compresses must be changed frequently in order that they may be kept very cold. When the pain is more on the top of the head than over the eyes or forehead, an ice bag will be found to be soothing.

If a patient is very anemic, heat over the painful forehead will often give more relief than cold. In such cases the compresses may be wrung out of very hot water and frequently changed so as to keep them hot. To the majority of people, however, the cold applications will be more beneficial than the hot ones. A menthol pencil which may be applied to the part of the forehead where the pain is greatest, sometimes helps considerably. This is especially true when the pain is over the eyes at the point where a nerve may be reached and soothed by the pencil.

A small mustard paste placed at the back of the neck for a few minutes often relieves a headache. This paste should be made of one teaspoonful of mustard and six of flour, stirred up with a little cold water to the consistency of cake batter. It is then spread on soft thin muslin or cheesecloth and another layer of the cloth put over it.

GOING IT TOO HARD

Overwork, worry, overeating and lack of exercise and sleep are responsible for much kidney trouble. If your back aches and the kidney's seem weak, rest up and use Doan's Kidney Pills.

W. D. Kilgore, prop. of hotel, North Newry, Me., says: "I used Doan's Kidney Pills two or three times in my life and they always did me good. On the farm, I had considerable hard work to do and always blamed that for the starting of my kidney trouble. I have suffered a lot from my back, it was so sore and lame one time I got past going. I also suffered from rheumatic trouble and it settled in my right knee joint and was very painful. My kidneys didn't act regularly, but just as soon as I got Doan's Kidney Pills at Booserman's Drug Store and began using them, I was relieved. Two boxes cured me. My back got strong and my kidney's acted regularly. I still use a few of Doan's Kidney Pills, however, and they ward off any serious developments and keep my kidneys in good shape."

Price 60c, at all dealers. Don't simply ask for a kidney remedy—get Doan's Kidney Pills—the same that Mr. Kilgore had. Foster-Milburn Co., Mfrs., Buffalo, N. Y.

the ends being neatly folded so that the paste will not leak out. When the skin is well reddened the paste may be removed and another put on in three hours.

In other cases of sick headache, nausea often is present and in such cases something taken into the stomach that is either very hot or else very cold often helps. Clear, hot tea with a little lemon juice added will many times help the pain in the head as well as lessen the nausea. Ice-cold Vichy water often gives the same relief. A mustard paste made as described above may be placed over the pit of the stomach five minutes before the fluid or food is taken. When this is done the food or drink that might otherwise be rejected is often retained.

While the headache lasts, food should be light and easily digested. Clear broths taken as hot as can be borne, a little dry toast or sometimes a thin gruel made from farina, are generally the articles best tolerated. Just after a bad headache one often feels very hungry but the appetite must not be overindulged. Care must be taken to choose easily digested food for some days afterwards. Raw beef sandwiches well salted, with bread cut very thin, are excellent to begin with after a bad attack of sick headache. Nothing greasy or heavy should be tried as they often bring on a relapse. The juice of an orange taken in a glass of Vichy the first thing in the morning when one awakens, is very beneficial to many, preparing the way for breakfast which should come about an hour later.

People subject to attacks of sick headache may feel absolutely well between the attacks and in such there is no cause that can be found except perhaps inheritance. In other cases a condition of rather low vitality or malaise (an indefinite feeling of indisposition) may exist much of the time, culminating every little while in a sharp attack of sick headache. In this class of sufferers there is often a distinct cause for the condition and headaches which may be discovered and removed by a thorough, conscientious physician who should leave no stone unturned to find the cause and then apply the remedy.

NORTH PARIS

Walter Littlehale is saving for Fred Hendrickson.

Miss Iona F. Littlehale, rural helper, teacher, assisted in opening the Perkins school, Jan. 4. She also visited Perkins school Jan. 10.

The Happy Helpers Class of the Sunday School were entertained at the home of Harlan Childs.

Mrs. Wilma Hendrickson visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Littlehale, two days last week.

Mrs. F. A. Littlehale has purchased a knitting machine.

Mr. Earl Hollis went to Lewiston to visit his sister, Mrs. Etta Chute.

Mr. Sanford Coffin cracked a rib while harnessing his horse one day last week.

Miss Lillian Walling has returned to her school at North Paris.

WEST PERU AND DIOKVALE

Elmer Child and Elgin Bafase are working in the woods for Ezra Staples. David Cheney and G. B. Gordon are cutting pine on the J. C. Wyman lot for parties in Dixfield.

Miss Jennie Gordon has gone to Elliot, Me., to visit her sister, Mrs. Chester B. Oliver.

Mrs. Almada Richardson is in West Paris caring for her aged father and mother this winter.

Mrs. Abbie Irish has finished work at J. R. Merrill's on account of ill health, and is now with her daughter, Mrs. E. G. Child.

It is reported that Manley Farrar has purchased the farm of his brother, Vernon.

Miss Iva Andrews is visiting at Sylvester Beal's.

ADVERTISED GOODS ARE THE KIND OF GOODS TO BUY.

CANTON

Mrs. Ernest Dillingham and two oldest children are ill with typhoid fever. Miss Mary E. Coburn is installed as nurse.

The officers of Anasagunticook Lodge, I. O. O. F., were ably installed Wednesday evening by D. D. G. M., S. C. Foster and Deputy Grand Marshall, Olie Paine of Dixfield. The officers are:

N. G.—Ezra T. Chamberlain
V. G.—Arthur Newton
Rec. Sec.—Wm. A. Lucas
Fin. Sec.—Herbert A. Swett
Treas.—Stanwood Bicknell
R. S. N. G.—Alden E. Johnson
L. S. N. G.—Cyrus B. Gammon
Warden—Appleton L. Dodge
Conductor—Clare Ludden
Chaplain—Rev. F. M. Lamb
R. S. S.—Earl L. Darrington
L. S. S.—Wallace Hines
R. S. V. G.—Leon A. Harding
L. S. V. G.—J. L. Gammon
I. G.—Charles Bartlett
O. G.—Geo. B. Barrows

At the close of the meeting an oyster supper was served.

The Seaside Club will meet this week with Mrs. James A. Reynolds.

Mr. and Mrs. A. P. York have been guests of his brother, Ervin York, and family at Norway and of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. B. Russell of South Paris the past week.

Harold Walker of Bath was a guest of his grandmother, Mrs. Mary D. French, and aunt, Mrs. J. F. Hollis, over the week end. His friend, Miss Mildred Snipe, who has been visiting them the past week returned with him Sunday.

Mrs. H. A. Swett has been quite ill. A party of seventeen of the guests at Pinewood Camp, Canton, the past season, held a theater and dinner party on New Year's Day in Boston which was a most enjoyable event. After the party at the Copley theatre, an elaborate dinner was enjoyed at the Westminister Rose Garden, all of the appointments being in keeping with Pinewood and its colors. A large centerpiece of pine, fir and hemlock graced the table, the napkin rings were of birch bark and the favors were gifts inclosed in green and brown. During the dinner a letter with greetings for the New Year was read from Mr. and Mrs. O. M. Richardson of Canton, proprietors of Pinewood. After the dinner was through the guests sent a telegram to Mr. and Mrs. Richardson with happy New Year greetings, and then the guests were conveyed to the beautiful home of Mr. and Mrs. English in Brookline, who had made their home a reminder of Pinewood Camp as much as possible. A huge fire was burning in the fireplace and the lights subdued. Many gathered around the "camp fire" and told stories and anecdotes of Pinewood while others sang songs familiar to the Camp. Miss Mary N. Richardson of Boston was a guest of honor on this most delightful occasion.

At a special meeting of the Boy Scouts held Saturday afternoon there was a good attendance. Executive Charles L. Pollard of Bethel was present and examined the members for second class Scouts. Six of them successfully passed the examination, and received their badges. They were Frank Bicknell, Edward Richardson, Philadore Daigle, Hartley Nickerson, Junior Johnson and Waldron Morse. At their meeting Wednesday evening several of the boys parents and friends attended and enjoyed the work of the Scouts, which consisted of a military drill, the Morse code with flags, tying knots, tumbling, boxing, making of pyramids, etc. The work of the boys is highly commended and is a credit to them and to their Scoutmaster, Thomas A. DeCoster. Arthur L. Tirrell has also been of much assistance in learning them military tactics.

The Ladies' Aid of the United Baptist church held an all-day meeting Thursday with Mrs. Caleb Mondall of North Hartford. A bountiful dinner was served at the noon hour and a pleasant time enjoyed. The next session will be with Mrs. John Tyler.

At the meeting of Whitney Lodge, F. and A. M., Thursday evening the E. O. degree was conferred on one candidate. Mrs. A. S. Bicknell has received word of the death of her aunt, Mrs. May Morse, of Lewiston, which occurred Saturday afternoon.

The game of basketball between the Cantons and Rumfords held Friday evening at Gilbert's Hall was won by the Cantons, the score being 15 to 12. A social was held at the schoolhouse after the game.

The senior class of Canton are preparing the drama, "The College Man," to be presented soon.

Mrs. Margery Weld, R. E. McCollister, John McCollister, Rodney McCollister and Elton Tripp attended the funeral of L. H. McCollister at Mechanic Falls. J. F. Hollis has been visiting in Portland.

Miss Helen Boucher, a teacher at Smith College has been a guest of her aunt, Miss Margaret Boucher.

A surprise party was given Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Adams last week which was a most enjoyable affair. Refreshments were served and the couple were presented with a nice Pyrex dish.

Mrs. O. Franklin Packard, who submitted to an operation for appendicitis at the Sisters Hospital, "Lewiston," is getting along nicely.

H. A. Swett has returned home from Salem, Mass.

Miss Eva Reed was home for the week end.

The officers of John A. Dodge Relief Corps were installed at their last meeting by past president, Mrs. Almce Chamberlain.

D. G. Court, a jeweler of Portland, was in town last week and visited several camps in Oration.

It is with regret we learn of the serious illness of Mrs. Sarah Frost a former resident of this town, but now living at Bethel. Her two daughters are caring for her.

Mrs. A. E. Bailey is at Hanover, caring for Mrs. Helen Barker.

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SOUTH WOODSTOCK

Mrs. Alvah Hendrickson and daughter, Alta, visited at her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Littlehale's, of North Paris last Wednesday and Thursday.

Wilson Brothers have finished hauling rock maple from the Dudley lot.

Charles Silver, who cut his foot, recently, had the stitches removed last Saturday.

A. R. Hendrickson is getting his ice, also putting in Frank Andrews. Walter Littlehale is sawing for him.

Walter Bryant has returned from the Eye and Ear Infirmary at Portland, where he has been seven weeks, and is stopping at A. R. Hendrickson's a few days before going to Quimby Perham's to work.

Violet, little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Percy Wilson, is ill with bronchitis and indigestion.

Miss Iona Littlehale, the rural helping teacher for this section of the town, visited at the Perkins school, Monday, Jan. 10.

The new portable mill which is situated on O. R. Wilson's farm, is almost ready to begin sawing birch.

Mrs. Maude Benson has returned home after being at Bryant's Pond taking care of Mrs. Ted Chase.

Alvah Hendrickson has been sick cast.

with a cold and hiccoughs which lasted all day Friday and part of Saturday.

Mrs. Kenneth Benson is ill, with a bad cold.

Miss Iona Littlehale called on her sister, Mrs. Wilma Hendrickson, Monday.

METRIC STANDARDS INTRODUCED IN SENATE

The Metric Standards Bill has just been introduced in the Senate of the United States by Hon. Joseph S. Frelinghuysen of New Jersey. This measure provides for a gradual advance to the decimal metric units of weights and measures during a transition period of 10 years. Advocates of the proposed legislation point out that it is most liberal in its provisions, insuring as it does a progressive adjustment to the new standards.

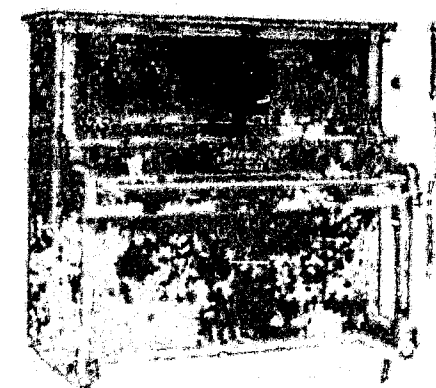
Nation wide interest in the issue presented is indicated by the fact that more than 100,000 petitions are now on file with the Department of Commerce, Washington, D. C., urging Congress to enact metric legislation. Many of these are from national organizations, and altogether several million voters are directly represented by the petitions. Favorable action by Congress is now forecast.



Pearry Signpost in Arctic Discovered by Danish Explorer

This photo, made by Capt. Godfred Hansen Danish Arctic explorer, shows the sign post inscribed "Four hundred miles to the North Pole" which was planted by Admiral Peary, discoverer of the North Pole on his successful expedition to the Northernmost point, 83 degrees north of Greenland. The Hansen party was an auxiliary of the American expedition.

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COATS that were \$67.50.....RED TAG PRICE \$33.75
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\$37.50.....HALF PRICE.....\$18.75
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COATS for Children from 5 to 14 years. There are only fifteen Coats in the lot, there will be a rush for these.

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A remarkable sale of Dresses, the entire assortment of Silks, Satins, Georgette, Wool Jersey, Velvets, Serges and Tricotines.
GEORGETTE CREPE DRESSES, beautiful shade of pink, two styles, were \$25.00, RED TAG PRICE.....\$12.45
TRICOTETTE DRESSES, that beautiful material that every woman admires, the very best quality, neatly trimmed, were \$49.75 and \$55.00, RED TAG PRICE.....\$29.75
SILK DRESSES for \$7.95, taffeta silk, one grey and one navy. They were \$24.75.
SATIN DRESSES \$14.95, navy, black and brown, several styles, attractive models neatly trimmed, were \$49.75 to \$34.75.
WOOL JERSEY DRESSES \$12.95, several very attractive styles, neatly braided, in best colors, were \$19.75.
VELVET DRESSES for \$16.45, beautiful designs of braiding and embroidery, several styles, were \$24.75.
SERGE AND TRICOTINE DRESSES FOR \$14.45. Several styles, headed, braided and embroidered. Were \$22.45 to \$27.45.
SERGE AND TRICOTINE DRESSES FOR \$19.75 that were \$29.75 to \$34.75.

PLEATED SKIRTS

Beautiful Plaids and Striped, pleated in many different designs.

Were PLEATED SKIRT Now
\$24.75 and \$22.45.....\$12.45
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FRENCH SERGE SKIRTS \$5.95. Good quality in navy only, neat side pockets, were \$9.95.
SKIRTS FOR \$3.45, a few serge, mohair and tricotines, were \$4.95 to \$12.45. YOUR CHOICE.....\$3.45
SKIRTS, ontaines, 30 to 36 waist, fine quality serge, were \$12.50 to \$15.00. RED TAG PRICE.....\$9.95

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Beautiful colorings, many styles, neatly trimmed with satin.

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\$ 5.95.....BATH ROBES.....\$2.97
\$ 7.95.....\$3.97
\$ 9.95.....HALF PRICE.....\$4.97
\$12.45.....\$6.22

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Made of Raccoon, China Wool, Skunk, Fox, Japanese Mink, French Cony.

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\$24.75.....MUFF.....\$12.37
\$18.00.....\$ 9.00
\$16.50.....HALF PRICE.....\$ 8.25
\$14.95.....\$ 7.45

Were Now
\$34.75.....NECK SCARF.....\$17.37
\$27.45.....\$13.72
\$24.75.....HALF PRICE.....\$12.38
\$16.45.....\$ 8.22

CHILDREN'S SERGE DRESSES

Were Now
\$9.95.....HALF.....\$4.47
\$7.45.....PRICE.....\$3.72
\$5.95.....\$2.47

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LOCKWOOD COTTON, 40 in. wide.....DURING SALE 18c yd.
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BLEACHED SHEETING, full sheet width DURING SALE 59c
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WOOL SHIRTING, very durable, gray, 54 in. wide, the \$1.50 quality, for.....\$1.19
ENDURANCE CLOTH.....25c DURING SALE
UNDERWEAR CREPE, white, small lot.....29c yd.
DANISH CLOTH, white, brown, green and navy, was 75c yard. RED TAG PRICE.....50c
COTTON SERGE, stripes and plaids.....29c yd.
CHILDREN'S HATS of velvet, all at.....HALF PRICE
SILK PETTICOATS, all silk and some with silk Jersey top, were \$5.95 to \$7.45. RED TAG PRICE.....\$4.45
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BATH TOWELS at very low prices.
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BETHEL AND VICINITY

Hon. H. H. Hastings left for Augusta Tuesday.

Mr. D. C. Conroy is with his family for a short time.

Mr. O. K. Clifford of South Paris is in town on business.

Mr. E. C. Park was a business visitor in Portland, Wednesday.

Mr. Philip Chapman was a business visitor in Boston last week.

Mrs. Etta Harnden of South Paris is a guest at the Hapgood farm.

Mrs. Cora Chapman is enjoying a vacation from her duties at Bethel Inn.

Miss Louisa Lowe left Friday for Gorham, where she will attend school.

Mrs. Philip Wight of Portland was a guest of her aunt, Mrs. A. M. Morrill, recently.

Mrs. Henry Rugg and daughter of Kingfield are guests of her mother, Mrs. I. H. Kenerson.

Mr. and Mrs. William Fuller left last week for New York, where they will spend some time.

Miss Mona Martyn of Norway spent the week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Martyn.

Mr. L. A. Hall left Monday for Shelburne, N. H., where he has employment at the Philbrook Farm.

The installation of officers of Mt. Abram Lodge, I. O. O. F., will be held Friday evening, Jan. 24. All brothers are requested to be present.

Mr. H. H. Annas received word Tuesday morning of the death of his brother, Calvin Annas, of Greenville, N. H., a former resident of this town.

Mr. Wesley K. Woodbury, who came to Bethel to attend the funeral of his brother-in-law, Mr. J. U. Purington, returned to Pottsville, Pa., Tuesday P. M.

Mrs. Millie Clark is in Sanford where she went to attend the funeral of her cousin, Miss Eva Estes. Mrs. David Forbes accompanied her, returning Tuesday.

Nineteen little friends of Katherine Herrick were invited to enjoy a birthday party in her honor Tuesday, Jan. 11, from 3.30 to 6 o'clock. The house was prettily decorated in pink and white crepe paper. Many indoor games were enjoyed, among them hide and seek. The winding of a ball of twine by each little guest brought forth a maybasket filled with candy. The fish pond where each, fished and caught a dainty favor was greatly enjoyed. Refreshments of ice cream, cake and sandwiches were served. Mrs. Herrick was assisted by Miss Ruth Glines. The hour of leaving came all too soon and the little people left wishing their little friend many happy returns of the day.

Rev. J. H. Little is confined to the house by illness.

Mrs. W. R. Chapman has returned to New York City.

Mr. S. S. Greenleaf is away on business for a few days.

Miss Muriel Park returned to her studies at Smith College, Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. V. Holt returned to Andover, Mass., Tuesday morning.

Mr. Harry Purington will remain in Bethel a few days with his mother and sister.

Mrs. Lloyd Luxton, who has been assisting Mrs. F. E. Wheeler, returned to her home, Saturday.

Mrs. Sidney Jodrey went to Mechanic Falls, Sunday, to attend the funeral of her niece, Mrs. Doan.

Mrs. W. C. Curtis, who has been visiting her son, Dr. Baker, and family in Auburn, returned last Thursday.

Miss Katherine Bryant, who has been a guest of her aunt, Mrs. J. G. Gehring, returned Wednesday to Smith College.

Misses Katherine Brown and Adelaide Ramsell were in Locke's Mills Friday and Monday visiting the schools there.

Dr. H. L. Bartlett and Eugene Andrews of Norway were in Bethel the first of the week, coming by automobile.

Mr. Zenas Merrill and Mrs. Gertrude Brown attended the installation of officers of West Bethel Grange, Tuesday evening.

Mrs. Ada Holbrook, who was called to Bethel by the death of her brother, Mr. J. U. Purington, will return to her home Saturday.

D. D. P. Mrs. Addie Ramsell and D. G. M. Susan G. Edwards were in Norway, Friday to install the officers of the Rebekah Lodge.

GILEAD

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Coffin returned home from Portland last Saturday after spending several days there.

Mrs. Florence Bryant attended Oxford Pomona Grange at Norway last Tuesday.

Albert Bennett went to Gorham, N. H. last Wednesday to attend the funeral of his son-in-law, Elmer Newell.

Rosie Long of Caspades, N. H. is working at Brown's boarding house.

Pearl Coffin of Conitook, P. Q. has been spending a few days in this vicinity.

The village school closed last Friday for the winter vacation with Mrs. Fred Wright as teacher.

Edward Holder spent the week end in Berlin, N. H.

John Mitchell of Milan, N. H. was a recent visitor in town.

Mrs. Mary Sheridan and two daughters of Caspades, N. H. were recent guests of her mother, Mrs. Nora Dolan.

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METRIC STATION

Joseph F. Merrill of Mines and Engr. of Utah, spoke at the National Conference Congress, held in

Mr. Merrill, who expert in promoting, appeared at the gate of the World Union Council. Discussed the decimal standard.

"The system of v. in current use in the cumbersome, complicated. It is a medley of millions of dollars, the commerce specially the world."

"Why not now a tem in the United States? But under governmentization no part of plant shall be scrapped out. Every existing indefinitely to a definite date, size in metric language used, everywhere un."

"Simplicity results adoption of the simple the United States with annual savings pressed in terms of many hundreds of thousands of dollars. Furthermore, the use of metric will extend relations and be a promoting world project."

"Andrew Carnegie weights and measures. We shall invite litergram, if for no as an aid to peace, but mously aid our world."

"Let us banish off have any, shake off overcome our inertia, at this forward step, promise and certainty."

NOTICE

The subscriber heretofore has been duly notified of the fact that Catherine Grover, late County of Oxford, bond. All persons against the estate of desired to present their claims, and all indebtedness to make payment. RAYMOND E.

December 21, 1920

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METRIC STANDARDS MEAN
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Joseph F. Merrill, Director, Schools of Mines and Engineering, University of Utah, spoke at the recent Standardization Conference, American Mining Congress, held in Denver, Colorado.

Mr. Merrill, who is recognized as an expert in promoting industrial efficiency, appeared at the conference as delegate of the World Metric Standardization Council. Discussing the need for the decimal standards, he said:

"The system of weights and measures in current use in the United States is cumbersome, complicated and unscientific. It is a medley, a jumble. Its use impedes progress, wastes hundreds of millions of dollars annually, and hampers the commerce of the country, especially the world commerce.

"Why not now adopt the metric system in the United States? Some fear that this would mean a loss to them. But under gradual metric standardization no part of any manufacturing plant shall be scrapped, until completely worn out. Every existing size may continue indefinitely to be used, but after a definite date, sizes will be described in metric language units, everywhere used, everywhere understood.

"Simplicity results in economy; the adoption of the simple metric system by the United States will result in an enormous annual saving of time, which expressed in terms of money will run into many hundreds of millions of dollars. Furthermore, the use of the metric system by us will extend our friendly trade relations and be a powerful means of promoting world progress and peace.

"Andrew Carnegie truly said: 'Our weights and measures are a discredit to us. We shall inevitably adopt metric-liter-gram, if for no other reason than as an aid to peace, but they would enormously aid our world trade.'

"Let us banish our prejudice, if we have any, shake off our indifference, overcome our inertia, and unite in taking this forward step, so pregnant with promise and certainty of good."

NOTICE

The subscriber hereby gives notice that he has been duly appointed executor of the last will and testament of Catherine Grover late of Bethel in the County of Oxford, deceased, without bond. All persons having demands against the estate of said deceased are desired to present the same for settlement, and all indebted thereto are requested to make payment immediately.

RAYMOND L. TIBBETTS,
Bethel, Maine
December 21, 1920
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WEST PARIS

The Rebekah robe fund committee will present the drama, "Aaron Stick from Punkin Creek," in the Grange Hall on Wednesday evening, Jan. 20, at eight o'clock, with the following cast of characters:

Aaron Stick, not as green as he looks, Ellis Doble
Mr. Wilbur Merriden, a crooked speculator, Arthur Dean
Clarence Green, a mysterious young man, Abner Mann
Mrs. Rosy Berry, an Oklahoma widow, Millie Davis

Gladys May Merriden, a sweet young thing, Addie Mann
The Girl in Pink, Nellie Nickerson
Little Sis Riggs, a regular tom boy, Leona Riddon

This is a rural comedy showing how an old farmer gets ahead of the city slickers. There will be specialties between the acts, an old fashioned dance after the drama with music by three piece orchestra. Ice cream, candy and popcorn will be on sale during the evening. The remains of Miss Nancy Stearns arrived here from California, Friday morning. Miss Stearns died in a hospital from pneumonia. She was the daughter of the late Marshall and Mary Chase Stearns and was born in Paris, April 26, 1836. Prayer was offered at the tomb. The interment will be in Norway Pine Grove Cemetery. She was an aunt of Mrs. W. M. Whitten, Clarence E. Stearns and Mrs. C. H. Lane, Jr., of this village.

The Woman's Christian Temperance Union held a mothers' meeting at Good Will Hall Thursday afternoon. There was a good attendance but it is to be regretted that a larger number of the mothers of school children were not present. Mrs. Patch read a paper on morals and Mrs. Coburn gave a talk on the conditions of lighting, heating and ventilating at the school. Beside congregational singing, a violin solo by Miss Dean of South Paris was greatly enjoyed. Refreshments of tea and sandwiches were served after the meeting.

Rev. G. H. Hamlen, D. D., has been assisting the local pastor, Rev. H. H. Hathaway of the Federated church, in a series of evangelistic meetings during the past week.

There will be a private installation of the officers of Granite Chapter, O. E. S., by Grand Worthy Matron Mrs. Emma B. Howe of Rumford Thursday evening. Supper will be served at 6.30.

The officers of Onward Rebekah Lodge were installed Tuesday evening, Jan. 4 by D. D. P. Mrs. Ramsell and D. D. G. M. Mrs. Edwards of Bethel.

N. G.—Mrs. Ida Ida Jacobs
V. G.—Mrs. Leona Riddon
Rec. Sec.—Mrs. Elva Ring
Fin. Sec.—Mrs. Juliette Curtis
Treasurer—Myrtle Dean
Warden—Mrs. Lillian Doughty

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CONDUCTRESS—MRS. MINNIE DAY

Chaplain—Mrs. Winnie Riddon
I. G.—Mrs. Ida Rowe
O. G.—Mrs. Lisbeth Penley
R. S. N. G.—Mrs. Phila Mayhew
L. S. N. G.—Mrs. Marion Mayhew
R. S. V. G.—Mabel Bicker
L. S. V. G.—Mrs. Addie Mann

Supper was served at the meeting. George Wheeler of Oakland was the guest of his brother, Dr. Wheeler, a short time last week.

Miss Maud Carter of Boston has been a recent guest at Dr. Packard's. Chester Lane has been suffering from abscess in his throat.

Gould's Academy basketball team played against West Paris High in Centennial Hall, Friday evening. West Paris boys defeated Gould's, but Gould's girls defeated the home team.

Mrs. W. H. Emery has been visiting her daughter, Mrs. W. W. Flavin, in Portland.

ANDOVER

Mr. Prescott of the American Realty Co. from Oquossoc, was in town last week scaling lumber.

J. B. Littlehale is hauling birch to the spool mill.

X. A. Thurston has a pair of twin Holstein calves.

Mrs. Edward Akers was ill last week with acute indigestion.

The Young Peoples' Whist was held Thursday evening in the Hook and Ladder Hall with ten tables at play. Miss Edgerly, assistant in the high school, and Fred Milton won first prizes, Ralph Hewey and Mrs. Eva Roberts the consolation. Refreshments of sandwiches, cake and coffee were served.

Mrs. Roger Thurston and daughter, Anna, were guests of Mrs. Bert Dunn, Friday.

The King's Daughters held their annual meeting Thursday, Jan. 6, at the home of Mrs. C. A. Rand, when the following officers were elected:

President—Mrs. Wirt Lovejoy
Vice-Pres.—Mrs. Emma Pratt
Sec.—Mrs. Gertrude Clark
Treas.—Mrs. Margaret Averill
Ray Thurston from Azisecos Lake spent Sunday at his home.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Andover Water Company was held at the Hook and Ladder Hall, Tuesday evening, Jan. 4, and elected H. M. Thomas, clerk and F. P. Thomas, Y. A. Thurston, John French, Fred Smith, G. A. Rand, board of directors. At the directors meeting the following officers were elected:

President—Y. A. Thurston
Vice-Pres.—F. P. Thomas
Secretary—H. M. Thomas
Treasurer—John A. French
A dividend of 5 per cent was declared on outstanding stock.

Bert Berry, Charles Ledford, Arthur Clark and Bert Venot returned to Azisecos Lake with Ray Thurston, Monday, to work in the woods.

X. A. Thurston was at Rumford, Friday.

Frank Langevin has purchased a tractor engine and is hauling birch from Black Brook to the spool mill.

Mrs. Charles Bartlett and daughter, Elizabeth, and Mrs. Charles Ripley and Dorris Ripley spent a few days in Portland last week.

Homer Richards has an automobile on runners and is carrying passengers to Rumford.

Elizabeth Bartlett, who spent the holidays in town, has returned to her studies at Wheaton College, Norton, Mass.

David A. Olives of Rumford and Grace H. Mitchell of this town were united in marriage Sunday, Jan. 2, at the residence of Rev. J. H. Little at Bethel. Miss Mitchell is a popular school teacher in town and both young people have many friends who wish them happiness.

The annual meeting of the Ellis River Improvement Company will be held at Rumford, Tuesday, Jan. 19.

The basketball game between the Bryant's Pond team and Andover, Saturday evening, resulted in the score of 68 to 18 in favor of the home team.

Edwin Morton and Ted Hevey are working in the spool mill.

Mr. and Mrs. W. N. Akers and son, Merle, visited their daughter, Mrs. Clarence Hall, and family, Sunday.

Robert Hill recently bought a fine calf of Will Fluke.

There will be a dance at I. O. O. F. Hall, North Waterford, Saturday night, Jan. 16th.

David McAllister has bought a new horse.

Miss Olive Wardwell, who has been at Bethel, nursing, has returned home. Miss Marion Lord is stopping at home for a short time.

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A woman of New Auburn, Maine, writes: "There must be lots of women who feel as I did. I suffered in silence many times on account of my pride, but now I know that a good laxative is essential to good health. I pretended I was all right when I wasn't. I had terrible pains, was 'grouchy' and my head aches almost killed me with pain, and worst of all I had a salivary, unbecoming complexion which was not helped by face powders. Why didn't I try to cure myself, rather than pretend? After taking Dr. True's Elixir, I now know that a laxative was what I needed. Dr. True's Elixir is mild and pleasant to take, and works just right for me. My complexion cleared up—bright and healthy—blemishes vanished, and every one remarked how much better I looked."

Mrs. E. J. B. (New Auburn, Me.) Dr. True's Elixir will help you too, don't pretend any longer.

NORTH WATERFORD
Mell Knight had a bad fall on his neck that Dr. Hubbard has operated on and attended.

Little June Durgin had two bad convulsions Saturday and remains very sick.

Charles Marston has finished work for Henry Durgin.

Mrs. Ernest Grover is stopping at her father's, Howard Allen's, helping her mother with the work until the sick are better.

Wallace Jones took nine of the Evergreen Rebekah Lodge members to Harrison, Thursday, to attend the installation and supper of the Rebekah Lodge.

Mrs. Myra Cheever, D. D. P., and Mrs. Ella Charles, D. D. G. M., assisted in the installation.

Mrs. Henrietta Horr passed away at her home on Jan. 2, after a short illness. She was 79 years and 10 months old. The funeral was held Tuesday, Rev. C. N. Eliopoulos attending. The Rebekahs attended in a body and held services at the home.

Mrs. Nellie Taylor and Mrs. Jessie Adams have been caring for Mrs. Horr during her illness.

Mrs. Edna Sessions has been suffering with blood poison in her hand. Stanton Ray is stopping at Norway, where he is suffering with blood poison in his hand. His mother, Mrs. Will Ray, has been stopping with him.

Charter No. 7612
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REPORT OF CONDITION OF THE
BETHEL NATIONAL BANK,
At Bethel in the State of Maine, at the close of business on Dec. 29, 1920.

RESOURCES
1 a Loans and discounts, \$76,542.00
2 Overdrafts, unsecured, 270
3 a Deposited to secure circulation (U. S. bonds par value), \$10,000.00
4 Owned and unsecured, 7,261.00

Total U. S. Government securities, 17,261.00
5 a Securities, other than U. S. bonds (not including stocks, owned and unsecured), 54,076.80

Total bonds, securities, etc., other than U. S. a Stock of Federal Reserve Bank (10 per cent of subscription), 1,050.00
11 Loans to other banks, 14,432.61

13 Cash on hand and net accounts due from national banks, 73,309.09
Total of Items 12, 13, 14, 15, and 16, 73,309.09

17 Credits on banks located outside of city or town of reporting bank and other cash items, 539.74
18 Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer, and due from U. S. Treasurer, 500.00

19 Interest earned but not collected—approximate, 100.00
20 Items on Notes and Bills Receivable not past due, 100.00

Total, LIABILITIES, 237,874.03
21 Capital stock paid in, \$25,000.00
22 Surplus fund, 10,000.00

23 a Undivided profits, \$17,938.63
b Less current expenses, interest and taxes paid, 1,942.80
24 Interest and discount collected or credited in advance of maturity and not earned—approximate, 100.00

27 Circulating notes outstanding, 9,700.00
31 Certified checks outstanding, 7.50

Total of Items 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, and 31, 177,070.76
Total of demand deposits (other than bank deposits) subject to Reserve, Items 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, and 38, \$177,070.76

Total, 237,874.03
STATE OF MAINE,
COUNTY OF OXFORD, ss:
I, Ellery C. Park, Cashier of the Above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

ELLERY C. PARK, Cashier.
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 10th day of January, 1921.
A. E. HERRICK, Notary Public.

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N. E. M. P. A. MEETING TO BE
HELD IN BOSTON, JAN. 25-26

Oxford County dairymen will be well represented at the annual meeting of the New England Milk Producers' Association in Boston, Jan. 25 and 26 when milk marketing problems will be discussed and policies for all New England will be fixed for the year. The County Association will be represented by its President, George Gates of West Paris, Maine, and it is probable that a number of members from different local associations will attend. The Secretary of the County Association is W. C. Thayer of South Paris, Me. The County Agents has also been invited to attend all sessions.

A record breaking attendance is expected at the meetings as there has been a substantial increase in numbers and interest in the Association during the year. A special invitation has been extended to the wives of Association members to be present at the banquet and evening session on the opening day. Dr. A. W. Gilbert, Massachusetts State Commissioner of Agriculture, will be toastmaster, and the speakers will be Dr. Charles E. North, widely known for his work in connection with studying the sanitary handling of milk and Prof. W. P. B. Lockwood, head of the dairy division of the Massachusetts Agricultural College.

The first day of the meeting will be given over largely to reports, including those of the managing director and the market and field district managers. Policies and program will be decided upon at the second day sessions and officers will be elected. The Association must elect a President to take the place of the late Frank B. Adams of Bowdoinham, Me., whose death in November was a heavy loss to the Association. Chauncey M. Gossom of Haverhill, acting president, will preside at the meeting.

The New England Milk Producers' Association now has about 21,000 members representing Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont, Massachusetts and Rhode Island, also portions of Connecticut and New York state. The local Associations in Oxford County are Bethel, Bolster's Mills, Bryant's Pond, Buckfield, Canton, East Hebron, East Sumner, Fryeburg, Norway, Oxford, Otisfield, Peru, Rumford Center, South Paris, West Waterford, West Bethel, West Paris and West Sumner, with a total of 853 members.

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General John J. Pershing, Commander of the A. E. F., will be offered the post of honor at the head of the inaugural parade on Mar. 4th, according to reports from Washington. The parade promises to surpass in pomp and pageantry, the inaugural processions of many years back.

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Gentlemen of the Senate and of the House of Representatives:

By solemn oath we have accepted the responsibility of performing the duties imposed upon us by the electorate of Maine.

This obligation is personal. Its fulfillment requires from each of us earnest, individual effort. Our conduct should be actuated by the single purpose of serving well the State of Maine.

Maine, recovering from the stress and turmoil of war, faces with confidence a future pregnant with bright possibilities that may be made certain by the united action of her patriotic citizens.

Inspired by a consciousness of the greatness of their State and devoted to a common purpose, the people of Maine are developing her resources. The tide of emigration that for seventy years past has not so strong away from Maine, is now I believe, turning toward Maine, and justified the expectation of a marked increase in population in the present decade.

Believing in the future of Maine and prepared to evidence that belief by faithful service, we seek, while solving the difficult problem of the present, to reconstruct and find the open road to growth and development.

Some of Our Problems

More than seventy-five percent of the power now used in the United States is produced from coal. In the twenty years past, the coal supply has been steadily decreasing, and the demand for coal is increasing. The coal supply is becoming more and more scarce, and the price of coal is increasing. This is a serious problem for the State of Maine, as coal is one of the most important resources of the State. We must find a way to develop our own resources, and to use them wisely and economically.

The development of our water power resources is one of the most important problems facing the State. We have a great many waterfalls and rapids, but we have not developed them to their full potential. We must find a way to develop these resources, and to use them wisely and economically. This will require a great deal of money, and a great deal of time. But it is worth the effort, for it will give us a source of power that is clean, and that will last for ever.

Transportation Difficulties

The problem of railroad operation resulting from the disruptive management during federal control are serious everywhere, but, owing to local conditions, doubly so in Maine. During the period when the owners of Maine railroads were denied control of their property the expenses of operation were increased more than were the returns from advances in passenger and freight rates. The Government, controlled, absolutely, wages, operating costs and earnings. On the termination of governmental control last August the owners of Maine railroads received from the Government stripped roads operating under fixed charges that equalled and in some instances exceeded revenues and are today without power to reduce their fixed charges or increase their revenues.

Although the electric railroads of Maine were not under government control they have suffered indirectly. It is our duty to investigate carefully the conditions surrounding the operation of railroads in Maine, and to provide such relief as the existing circumstances demand. It is vital to the development of our State that the present transportation facilities be made more effective and that they be so increased that we may have in Maine our adequate share of this controlling factor in modern commercial life.

Agriculture and Roads

For the service of short haul transportation, particularly of the bulky agricultural products, and of pleasure travel into and throughout the State, good roads are an absolute necessity.

Measures to be taken to improve the roads of the State. The State has a great many roads, but they are in a very poor state of repair. We must find a way to improve them, and to use them wisely and economically. This will require a great deal of money, and a great deal of time. But it is worth the effort, for it will give us a source of power that is clean, and that will last for ever.

Our agricultural, manufacturing, and business interests are suffering keenly from shrinking values and unemployment, due to the world-wide depression growing out of after-war conditions, and we face serious problems of reconstruction and the obligation of seeking a safe and sane level upon which we may rebuild industry, and give profitable employment to labor and fair return to invested capital. Modern industry is more and more dependent upon skilled operators. This need in agriculture is now being served by the State Agricultural Department and through the various bureaus at the University of Maine, and to afford additional aid to those who are occupied in agricultural pursuits I trust you will study the conditions of farm life, production, transportation, marketing, and enact legislation which may seem to you helpful to the farmer. In manufacturing, the supply of skilled operators should be met by the establishment, on broad lines, of a technical, vocational school, where thorough practical training could be given and an intimate study made of the problems involved in the conduct of industries now located in, or suitable for, establishment in Maine.

Our fisheries give employment to many thousands of persons. The result of the war has been many millions of dollars. Our tidal coastline which is now almost an unexplored area, the other Atlantic coast, is the natural base from which to develop the fishing industry. The State should take advantage of this natural resource, and should establish a fishery conservation fund, which should be used to improve the fishing industry, and to provide for the education of the young people of the State in the art of fishing.

Improvement of the State's water power resources. We have a great many waterfalls and rapids, but we have not developed them to their full potential. We must find a way to develop these resources, and to use them wisely and economically. This will require a great deal of money, and a great deal of time. But it is worth the effort, for it will give us a source of power that is clean, and that will last for ever.

The successful economic development of hydro-electric power is in a great degree controlled by the regularity of water flow. The creation, under State control, of storage reservoirs at the headwaters of our rivers is a necessity. A careful inquiry should be made into all related questions, and a study made of the effect of the Federal Waterpower Act upon the development and control of Maine's waterpowers.

The continued flow of water in our streams and rivers depends upon the existence of our forests. Fire is at all times a grave menace. The protection provided by the Maine Forestry District Act should be continued and extended, and increased protection given to the lesser forest areas in the incorporated towns now outside the forestry district.

Our School System

The continued development and improvement of our common school system is of vital importance; educational problems should be met in a broad and comprehensive spirit, for the common school system has been a controlling factor in the development of New England character, as New England character has been an influencing factor throughout the Nation. A liberal policy should be adopted toward all institutions of learning, shifting burdens from town to State.

During the past twenty-five years, giving effect to the policy adopted by earlier legislatures, Maine has assumed an increasing portion of the burden incident to the support, restraint and professional care of the different classes of unfortunate who are public charges. The continuance of this program is sanctioned by sound public policy, because the taking over of this obligation by the State does not necessarily increase the burden, but shifts it from the individual of the town, to the State, where it can be more economically handled and where expert professional treatment provides an opportunity for cure. Our penal and charitable institutions, and the State aid given to dependent mothers and to neglected and dependent children, should be administered with the avowed purpose of bringing these unfortunate to a physical and mental condition that will equip them for a useful life.

relieving suffering, and to the State will allow. I urge careful study of all related problems and suitable appropriations for continuing and increasing this policy of State aid.

Maine's Patriotic Response

The record of Maine's patriotic response to the call for service in the World War illumines one of the brightest pages in the history of our State. In the spring of 1917 when the regular army, but little greater in number than the police force of metropolitan New York, needed voluntary enlistments, a call was issued for 180,000 men, and existing National Guard units were inducted into Federal service. In Maine enlistments were greater in proportion to population than in any other state in the Union, excepting only Oregon. To every call for contribution, whether for the Red Cross, Salvation Army, Y. M. C. A., K. of C., or for subscriptions to the Liberty Loan, Maine went over the top. The quality of service given by the sons and daughters of Maine on the battlefields of Europe made a glorious page in the State's record. Wherever stationed the men and women of Maine were ever in the front ranks, and always completely responsive to the call of duty. Recognition has already been made by legislative action. We should at every opportunity render full justice to all who were in service, doing this as a voluntary recognition of sacrifice made in behalf of our country. A movement has been started for placing monuments in the different battle areas of Europe, where bodies of Maine troops were engaged. A suggestion has been made that the New England states, whose legions made up the splendid Yankee Division, should join in erecting these monuments. I urge you to act in these matters, co-operating fully with the other New England states and with the Federal Government.

Salary Adjustments

The State is entitled to have, and should require, full efficiency in service from every employee, and in return for that service, should pay a salary fairly commensurate with the responsibility of the employment, so that men and women of ability will be attracted to the service of the State. The State should also provide for the education of the young people of the State in the art of fishing.

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Measure Our Needs and Funds

It is indeed unfortunate that Maine's resources will not allow the immediate accomplishment of all worthy projects, but we must measure our appropriations by available funds. The State itself has no money. It possesses the power to take money by taxation, but the power to so take must be exercised sparingly, without discrimination and with a complete realization that a tax levy is justified only when absolutely necessary for the requirements of a well-ordered government. Excessive taxation will arrest development and may amount to confiscation of property. It is your duty to balance the scales and determine when to give and when to refuse appropriations.

Year's Receipts and Expenditures

For your information I submit herewith a summary of the receipts and expenditures during the fiscal year of 1919 (the final figures for the year 1920 are not yet available) so classified as to give in groups that are convenient for comparison and reference the sums received from different sources and the amounts expended for different purposes. The amounts given include the receipts from the several tax levies and the expenditures of the money so received. I have purposely excluded sums taken into the Treasury by payment of licenses and fees, which as is the case with automobile licenses, fish and game licenses are used in the several departments for special purposes as prescribed by law and that represent sums not raised by a tax levy.

In the Fiscal Year of 1919 the State of Maine Expended

For administration of justice	\$102,657.00
For legislative purposes	170,653.00
For interest and sinking fund	189,452.00
For Maine House	80,675.00
For public buildings	55,002.00
For executive department	417,850.00
Total expenditures for executive and departmental purposes	\$1,024,238.00
For war purposes	\$584,447.00
For soldiers' pensions	1,477,111.00
National Guard and other items in Adjutant General's office	237,973.00
Total expenditures for war activities	\$2,303,658.00
For amount due Indians under treaty obligations	55,998.00
For charitable institutions, prisons, reform schools, hospitals, mothers' aid, neglected children, and kindred purposes	1,644,213.00
For encouragement of agriculture	\$144,447.00
For propagation of fish and game, and enforcement of game laws	63,878.00
For fire prevention, forest preservation, and for roads, bridges, and maintenance of public works	152,109.00
Total expenditures for State development	\$4,848,937.00
Total expenditures for 1919 in the Fiscal Year of 1919 the State of Maine	\$7,152,895.00
From direct tax levy	\$4,271,111.00
From corporate franchise taxes	\$295,129.00
From tax on banks and trust companies	\$409,892.00
From tax on telephone, express, and telegraph companies, motor and sleeping cars, steam and electric railroads, and less sums returned to towns	\$47,325.00
From tax on collateral inheritance	\$411,850.00
Total amount from direct taxation	\$5,415,007.00
Total net receipts from tax levies	\$7,335,816.00

A New Force for Good

The year 1920 will ever be remembered as the year in which full suffrage was granted to women, whose presence for the first time constitutes a potent force for good government. The obligations of citizenship require participation in elections, for elections offer the natural channel through which the will of the people may be exerted upon government action. In order that such participation may be possible on the part of every citizen entitled to the ballot but who from illness or other reason may be unable to reach the polls, I recommend to you the wisdom of enacting a law providing for "mail ballot voting."

A Grave Menace

A condition universally known to exist but not easily explained, evidenced by a great many cases, is the increasing number of children who are found in the streets of our cities, and who are suffering from starvation and disease. This is a grave menace to the health and happiness of our people, and it is our duty to take action to prevent it. We must find a way to provide for the education of the young people of the State in the art of fishing.

Reread Platform Pledges

The opposing political parties at each election submit to the electorate a statement of their attitude on public questions. These declarations of party faith, accepted by party candidates, are binding upon those who are chosen, as we have been, to make effective these platform declarations, and in order that this obligation may be fully met I venture to suggest a rereading of our respective party platforms.

To Press Water Power Measure

The New Hampshire Manufacturers' association will present a bill to the incoming legislature seeking "to provide some practical and proper means of accomplishing what New Hampshire needs more than anything else—early development of her natural resources," principally water storage and water power. Elaborate and far-reaching plans for the development of electrical energy are being contemplated. The plans call for a great water power dam to back up Lake Winnepesaukee six inches higher than at present at a cost of \$10,000,000, with the proposed dam in the vicinity of Lakeport, where a central power station would be erected with high tension wires carrying the current to cities and towns in the State. Projects also contemplated by the proponents of the bill include plans for damming seven streams, the Portsmouth harbor development and other projects.

YOU Are Keeping Them Warm!

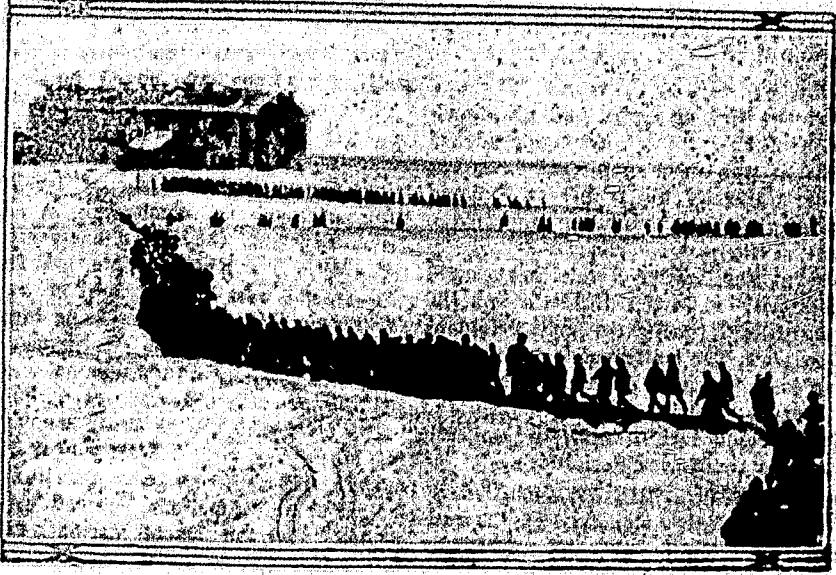


Photo International.
In the mile square of former Russian barracks in Alexandropol, Republic of Armenia, are housed 5,347 little Armenian orphans under care of the Near East Relief. Every bite they eat, every stitch they wear, is the gift of the people of the United States, through the Near East Relief. In addition, the Near East Relief hospital has a daily average of 1,211 children patients, while 1,049 others are given medical treatment, which does not require commitment to hospital beds. Over 54,600 little Armenian children are housed, clothed and fed by the Near East Relief in Armenia and Syria. In all over 110,000 little children are being kept alive by American aid. YOU are doing it! KEEP IT UP!
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ARMENIAN GIRL PLEADS FOR SISTERS

Tragic Tale of Harem Victims' Sufferings.

More than ten thousand Armenian girls have been rescued from Turkish harems through the help and generosity of America. This is the statement given out by the Near East Relief, which is making the saving of these tragic victims of Turkish cruelty one of the most important features of its work.

That it is a work which in itself justifies the millions that America has spent in this campaign and is destined to be the most successful of all the work of the Near East Relief, was recently expressed in this country. Miss Doherty, through the intervention of American friends, was herself spared.



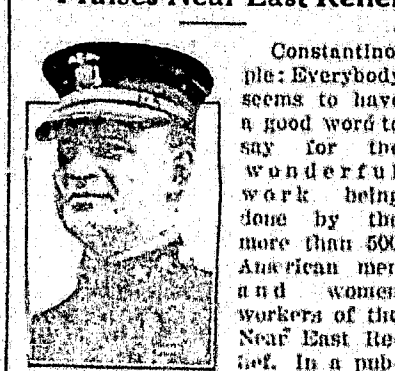
ELIZA DOHERTY.

the sufferings of exile and the horrors of slavery; but she knows all too well the terrible fate of her sisters and friends. It is for them—the soft-eyed little girls of fifteen and sixteen whom last she saw being torn from their mothers' arms and carried off on the saddle bows of the Turkish soldiers—that she makes her plea.

What their lives have been since then may be guessed by a look into the faces of any of the ten thousand who have passed through the Rescue Homes of the Near East Relief. Their heads bowed in shame, they creep into the American relief stations, trying vainly to hide the tattoo marks which proclaim to the world their story.

Thousands of these girls have been brought back to life and hope through the work of the Near East Relief. It is to rescue the one hundred thousand more still held captive that the Near East Relief is making its appeal this year.

High Commissioner Praises Near East Relief



Mark L. Bristol, U. S. Navy, High Commissioner to Turkey.

Constantinople: Everybody seems to have a good word to say for the wonderful work being done by the more than 500 American men and women workers of the Near East Relief. In a public address, Admiral Bristol, U. S. Navy, High Commissioner to Turkey, who has charge of all American interests in the Near East, spoke on record of his own personal knowledge of the work of the Near East Relief.

"If I have been able to encourage the workers of the Near East Relief, or give them assistance in any way," the Admiral said, "I feel that I am more than repaid in the knowledge that the work of the Near East Relief is the work of the Near East Relief."

Admiral Bristol is in intimate touch with all the work being conducted by the Near East Relief and speaks from personal knowledge of its accomplishments.

INVESTIGATOR INDORSES NEAR EAST RELIEF

During the Peace Conference in Paris the American Commission to Negotiate Peace, appreciating the importance of accurate first hand information about the Armenian situation, sent Capt. Benjamin Burgess Moore of the American Red Cross as head of a special mission to study and report on conditions. Captain Moore's findings as to the value of the work done by the Near East Relief form part of his official report.

"Armenians are sincerely grateful to us," Captain Moore states, "since it is no exaggeration to say that they would have disappeared as a nation had it not been for this splendid help given them by the Near East Relief and the American Food Administration. The best that sympathetic Americans can do is to continue and enlarge the present admirable work of the Near East Relief."

110,000 Starving Children



Like the one in this photograph, too weak to walk when brought to the Near East Relief orphanage at Erivan, the capital of Armenia, are being nursed back to life and health through the generosity of the American people, by contributions to the Near East Relief, 1 Madison Ave., New York. MAY I ASK YOU A LITTLE ORPHAN IN YOUR HEART?

NATIONAL CAPITAL

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ed until the third of November, 1903, when for the fifth and last time they successfully proclaimed themselves as an independent government.

Mr. Hill says he is prepared to prove that the United States had no knowledge of the revolution for independence until it was an accomplished fact; but quite naturally his people at Panama were rejoiced beyond measure when the United States promptly made the independence of Panama certain and assured their position in the world through the recognition proclaimed by President Roosevelt. The statement is an interesting contribution to Panama history, and it serves to drive another nail in the fatuous claims of Colombia and its waiting plea for American millions.

1920 WITH THE RAILROADS

An interesting summary of the railroad situation has been furnished by Thomas DeWitt Cuyler, chairman of the Association of Railway Executives, in a statement reviewing the railroad situation for the year 1920. Mr. Cuyler says that under private operation during the year, the railroads moved a larger gross tonnage than ever before, and also established new records in the amount of transportation gotten out of each car. These records, Mr. Cuyler says, were not achieved by the railroads alone but with the aid of shippers in unloading cars, and with "the day and night, rain or shine, work of hundreds of thousands of employees." There has been a great deal of discussion in the newspapers as to what course the railroads will pursue in their attempts to collect the six per cent return pledged to the railroads by the transportation act, in view of the fact that the earnings fall considerably short. Mr. Cuyler in speaking for the railroads sets this question at rest by the statement that "the railway executives realize that they are trustees of a great public interest in the reduction of railroad operating expense to the lowest possible figure, and every effort will be made during the coming year to accomplish this by further economies and efficiency."

It is a noteworthy achievement that the increased average movement per freight car per day has given from 22.3 to 28.6 miles, while the increased average load per car has been brought up from 28.3 to 30 tons. Mr. Cuyler states that there has been a substantial reduction in the number of unworkable locomotives while the accumulation of

unmoved freight cars, which amounted to 103,337 on March 1, was brought down to 21,991 on December 3, of which only 6,380 were detained because of the inability of the railroads to move them.

The relocation of box cars between the east and the west furnished another record of efficiency for the railroads. In addition the lines have moved the third highest coal production in the history of the country, and have made expenditures of over a half billion dollars in improving the maintenance of tracks, bridges, cars and locomotives; in addition to which they have contracted for additions and betterments, and for new freight cars and locomotives and for reconstruction work in sums hitherto unknown in railroad development.

"Private ownership and operation of the railroads as a measure of sound public policy," said Mr. Cuyler, in concluding his review, rests "largely upon its superior efficiency and economy. In my judgment the American railroad companies during the present year have fully justified, and during the coming year will make every effort to continue to justify, the support and confidence which public opinion, in gratifying measure, has already accorded them."

FINANCIAL RELIEF IN DISARMAMENT

Whenever the Army and Navy appropriations are asked for Congress is usually so staggered by the amounts that it lends an attentive ear to arguments for disarmament. Senator Hiram Johnson and Senator Borah, the "irreconcilables," are among the enthusiasts favoring an agreement between Great Britain, Japan and the United States to limit the size of armaments. At the same time the assembly of the League of Nations at Geneva has taken action recommending to various governments the reduction of armaments.

Aside from all other considerations involving ideals and idealism, especial emphasis is laid upon the great burden of expense reflected in taxation throughout the world. It is plain that in our own country the income taxes would be reduced if disarmament could be achieved, because foreign countries would then be able to use some of the money they are spending for armament to pay America something of their big war debt of \$10,000,000,000. Likewise, political economists state that an improved condition in European credit would follow, which would make itself shown in the rate of exchange in the different countries, thereby facilitating foreign trade. The economic benefits of disarmaments are indubitably innumerable. In the last analysis Washington

believes that if the thought of Europe could be turned from war and the people of those countries could be induced to direct all of their energies to productive purposes, that it would not be long before civilization would get on its feet again.

It seems a little strange that after the greatest war in history as well as one of the greatest political upheavals ever known in the United States, that a new administration removed but a few weeks from assuming power, is still groping in the dark for a policy to lessen warfare, that will meet with hearty support in Congress.

TELEPHONE GROWTH AMAZING

The growth of the telephone since its invention only 40 years ago has been amazing. Today there are approximately 12,500,000 telephones in use in the United States and the messages carried total over twenty-two billions per year, or approximately 211 for each man, woman and child in the nation. There are nearly 30,000,000 miles of wire and this equipment cost the staggering total of two billions of dollars, about 700,000 individuals being owners of the securities.

WHEN PRESIDENTS DO NOT INTERFERE

The other day President Wilson vetoed the bill to revive the War Finance Corporation, which is supposedly needed to help out the plight of the farmers of the country. Senate Democrats almost unanimously joined with Republican Senators in overriding the veto.

Evidently the day of "one-man government," and "presidential interference" has passed, just as it passed eight years ago, when the then President, William H. Taft, found his power and influence over Congress swept away by an adverse vote of the people in the November election. Mr. Taft made "economy and efficiency" in the affairs of government his particular pet, but Congress would not even permit him to maintain the credit for his zeal in behalf of these needed objects in government; and they pushed his pleas aside, just as they did the other day with President Wilson in overwhelming his veto. Former President Roosevelt had the same experience when he retired from office, and on March 4 he was still fighting battles that had lasted from the previous November.

We are reminded once more that "nothing succeeds like success," because four years ago Mr. Wilson's veto would doubtless have been sustained. A defeated President, with his party power likewise repudiated, has a hard time of it. It almost converts one to

the belief that the term of the presidency should cease with the beginning of the session of Congress in December, instead of dragging along for four fighting months.

Nevertheless, we are reminded by the experiences of President Wilson and ex-President Taft that after all the supreme power in the government rests with the people themselves. No one can find any semblance of "one-man government" in the present situation.

THE UNDEVELOPED WATER POWERS

There were practically the same number of water powers in 42 B. C. as now, even though fewer of them were developed and in that year one Publius Syrus wrote:

"Amid a multitude of projects, no plan is devised." This observation applies as correctly to the condition with reference to water power today as it did when it was first written. The difference is that "projects" have been filed to the number of 140 with the Federal Power Commission, but that official body has no one to do the investigating that is required by the law that created it. Because of a very meagre appropriation the Commission has been able simply to put its head above water, and to say, in effect: "We are ready to receive your offers." And right there the Commission has had to stop. However, the friends of water power development have been busy themselves in Congress within the past two or three weeks, and it is altogether likely that there will be early legislation that will provide a working force for the Federal Power Commission. It will then be possible to make the necessary investigations and pass upon the projects, and authorize the beginning of "water power development."

Quite recently a report was secured by courtesy of the War Department upon the project at Great Falls on the Potomac River, and it was favorable. A dam above Washington will be capable of supplying all the power the National Capital needs, at a fraction of the cost now involved by the use of coal and steam.

PENROSE BACK FROM DEATH'S DOOR

Ever since President Wilson sailed for Europe the country has heard the rumblings of war between the Executive and Legislative branches of government. Their disputes have involved the whole Nation, and the Republic victory in the campaign cannot be construed otherwise than as a victory for the Legislative claim to be consulted freely in the matters of treaties, foreign policies, etc. Mr. Penrose, just arrived from Death's Door, but apparently in as good fighting trim as ever, declares: "Congress will hereafter blaze the way in our foreign policies and will not sit back and take the program of any Secretary of State. Cabinet possibilities are therefore of secondary importance at this time."

Whatever else one may say about Mr. Penrose, all agree that "he knows what he is talking about." That is because he has the power in the Senate and in his party to make, break or spoil policies and plans of men, politicians or statesmen. Mr. Penrose voices a feeling that is supposed to be quite general in the Senate. Interpreted, it means that President Harding and his cabinet ministers need not expect to formulate foreign policies without first consulting the Senate leaders. The Penrose warning means that if this policy, as it has been carried out heretofore under former administrations, is attempted, that it will not meet with support in the Senate. The Senate has the whip hand, and Penrose and company have already given notice that they propose to crack the lash.

THE SHORTAGE OF HOMES

In 1910 only about 79,000 houses were built in the United States. The average in pre-war years was 350,000 to 400,000 family dwellings. While figures are not obtainable for 1920, the probabilities are that the record will be as bad as in 1910, if not worse.

It is observed that the house shortage does not materially affect the man with a salary of several thousand dollars a year, but wage earners and those earning small salaries are hit "between the eyes." The overcrowding of rooms is viewed by health officials with anxiety. In all cities the "down town" rents are driving out those with small salaries. When they turn to the desirable suburbs it is to find that new housing operations are not caring for their wants. Investigators of civic improvements say that the country is in immediate need of a million and a quarter homes.

Particularly in the cities the necessity has arisen of "getting out into the country." It is the logical solution of the family of small means, with a desire to live decently. Coupled with their problem is the difficulty that exists in local transportation. The politicians continue to hammer the street railway lines, with the result that suburban lines are no longer being built in keeping with the demands of the public. To a house, either old or new, "down town" or in the "country," access to an efficient railway is as essential as an improvement. The householder who can get a clean, comfortable, substantial home, and good transportation, is able to live cheaper, and more satisfyingly to

himself than is possible in the congested districts.

Those who study the housing shortage must look beyond their noses, and when they do they will find that the price of boards, nails, carpenters and bricklayers wages is only a part of the puzzle, since commonsense dealings with street railway systems are a part of the real problem that is being faced.

NEW CROP OF POLITICAL LAWYERS

After each Congressional election a flock of "prominent lawyers" who have lost out in elections "at home," join the lawyers' colony in Washington. The shingle-makers are preparing a great many new markers to hang over the doors of the new crop of lawyers that will open shops in the National Capital. A defeated Congressman falls short of being a hero at home, and since those of the lawyer-kind have usually sacrificed their law practice, when entering political life, the process of beginning all over looks more alluring with Washington as the seat of their activities, than does the simple life of the old home town.

Some of them "make connections" with business interests and open shop on a hopeful basis, after their term of office expires. Others throw the dice of future success in the game of chance. Some win fame and fortune, while others drift along, and sad, but true—become "has-beens." After all, the chances of success for the new crop of political lawyers is no brighter in Washington than it is for those who go "back home." In either event the man of limited means is compelled to begin his career anew.

WANT STATE TO TAKE OVER BOWDOIN MEDICAL SCHOOL

The deplorable lack of physicians in adequate numbers in rural Maine to meet the actual needs of disease and death, forms the keynote of the request which health organizations and health workers as individuals will put before the Legislature to have Bowdoin Medical School taken over and maintained by the state.

It has recently been announced by Bowdoin College authorities that at the close of the present school year, the Medical School, for financial reasons, will be discontinued. The State Department of Health, Maine Public Health Association, State Chamber of Commerce and Agricultural League are among the organizations which feel that the absolute closing of the school would be a great loss to the state. Dr. L. D. Bristol, State Commissioner of Health says:

"Bowdoin Medical School is the only school in the state where men and women can be trained for the medical profession. It is out of the question to expect medical graduates of the large medical or nurses schools of the country to be attracted to practice in rural Maine. The conclusion is forced that we must to a large extent train our own physicians, public health officers, and public health nurses."

One hundred years ago the present Bowdoin Medical School was founded as the Medical School of Maine and as such was supported by the State. Today the state needs such a school far more than it did a century ago. What is needed is a greater not a lesser Medical School and in the present Bowdoin Medical School the state is offered an institution with a glorious past history and future possibilities which are unlimited.

It is the belief of the State Department of Health that a Greater Bowdoin Medical School should include a school for Public Health Officers and for Public Health Nurses, which would meet the demands not only for such workers in official capacity in this state but prepare men and women for private practice in rural Maine where they are so desperately needed.

It is felt that the State Department of Health now located in Augusta, might be moved to Portland and be operated in co-operation with the medical school to the promotion of both the health and medical cause in this state. The Department might be located in Portland, housed in a building adequate for its needs and for the needs of the Medical School. In other words the Bowdoin Medical School, the state, through the Department of Health, and the Portland City Board of Health might co-operate in maintaining an institution which would be of great value to Maine. The efficiency of both the Health Department and the Medical School would be enhanced by the change.

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Even in centers where a doctor is in a measure available, the service is inadequate because of the tremendous territory which each doctor must serve and the distance which accordingly separates the doctor from his patient. In 16 communities the doctor lives from one to four miles away; in 22 communities he lives from five to eight miles distant, while in nine communities he is over 10 miles away.

Twenty-nine of the communities which have reported make urgent requests for a resident physician. In view of this startling situation which reveals that a large proportion of Maine's population are without medical or nursing aid, even for emergency, the plan to discontinue the Bowdoin Medical School, the only medical school in Maine, seems fatal to the health interest of the state. A State Medical School to train workers for Maine is the hope of all health officials, whether connected with state or private organizations.

WEST GREENWOOD

Fred Edwards was in town one day last week.

Clarence Briggs spent the week end at his home in Bethel.

Mr. and Mrs. Perry Ramey were Sunday callers at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Ramey.

Mrs. Nellie Cross was a caller at the home of D. D. Cross, recently.

Nellie Harrington of North Bethel spent the week end at her home in town.

Walter Lord of North Waterford was in town Tuesday, selling fresh meat.

Will Seames is hauling pine to Locke's Mills for F. L. Edwards.

Mr. Colby's brother from Yarmouth recently visited him at Mr. Down's.

John Deegan is hauling pine from the former Kilborn lot to Bethel for F. L. Edwards.

Mrs. Addie Conner, who has been with her son, Charlie, for a week, returned to George Conner's, Sunday.

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SALE OF CH

IN OXFORD

The sale of the Oxford County fair, while this sum falls within the quota, which turns are most compared to those of the year 1920 was a fair. Mrs. L. L. Mason, wishes to the town chairman work in this drive also each and every contributed to the fair seal sale.

Below are the names of the donors:

Albany, Andover, Bethel, Brownfield, Buckfield, Byron, Canton, Denmark, Dixfield, Fryeburg, Gilead, Greenwood, Hanover, Hartford, Hebron, Hiram, Lincoln Plt., Lovell, Magalloway Plt., Mexico, Milton Plt., Norw., Oxford, Paris Hill, South Paris, West Paris, Peru, Porter, Roxbury, Rumford, Stoneham, East Sumner, West Sumner, Sweden, Upton, Waterford, Woodstock.

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Dr. W. E. Webb Dr. H. L. Bartlett of our guests at the Inn

Mr. and Mrs. C. G. and Mr. Walter Lynn are at the Inn

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Winchester, Mass., and of the winter sports, and crowding all their stay at Bethel

A party of seven went to Bangor, Me. their dinner in the stiff wind they met, bacon and eggs, make a very good meal. They returned to the somewhat chilled, but their trip.

Mr. and Mrs. Blaine Macy, Miss F. Ryan, Miss R. Walker, Miss G. G. Meers, W. L. gas, Swan and Hill met week end party from rivaling Saturday night. They were met with brought to the Inn reserved. After supper enjoyed by all the guests 11 p. m. Sunday the time sking, snow-shoe hobnobbing, as long as After supper college a social hour filled which came all too quickly was pronounced a big hope to make it an

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